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AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO FINAL ACTION OF JANUARY 16, 2008

In response to the office action dated January 16, 2008 ("Office Action"), Applicants present the pending claims and remarks as follows: